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1. BEGIN SUMMARY. CONFEDERATION OF YUGOSLAV TRADE UNIONS (CTUY) HELD PRESS CONFERENCE JULY 11 TO ANNOUNCE JULY 16-17 MEETING IN BELGRADE OF NON-ALIGNED TUS. PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING IS

TO ADOPT DRAFT DECLARATION DRAWN UP AT MAY 14-15 MEETING HERE. DECLARATION CONTAINS USUAL RHETORIC AGAINST IMPERIALISM, COLONIALISM AND NEO-COLONIALISM; EMBASSY ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN COPY FOR CLOSER EXAMINATION. WE BELIEVE PRIMARY GOAL OF EXTENSIVE CTUY ACTIVITY IS TO ENHANCE GOY ASPIRATIONS FOR LEADING

ROLE IN ALGIERS CONFERENCE. END SUMMARY.

2. CTUY HELD PRESS CONFERENCE JULY 11 TO ANNOUNCE THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF 15 NON-ALIGNED COUNTRY TRADE UNIONS WILL MEET IN BELGRADE JULY 16-17 TO WORK OUT FINAL TEXT OF DECLARATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO ALGIERS NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE. ACCORDING TO CTUY
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PRESIDENT PETROVIC-SANE, TUS OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES HAVE AGREED TO DRAFT, IN ADDITION TO MANY OTHERS, INCLUDING TUS FROM BLOC, DEVELOPED AND LESS-DEVELOPED, AFRICAN, ASIAN, AND LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES.

3. DRAFT DECLARATION NOTES THAT NON-ALIGNED POLICY EXPRESSES BASIC ASPIRATIONS OF PEOPLES OF ALL COUNTRIES FOR PEACE, FREEDOM, PROGRESS AND WELL-BEING, AND THAT THIS POLICY

RIGHTLY CALLED "CONSCIENCE OF MANKIND." DRAFT POINTS OUT THAT "IMPERIALISM, COLONIALISM AND NEO-COLONIALISM ARE THE MAJOR OBSTACLES ON ROAD TO FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE;" THAT THEY ARE "RUTHLESSLY SUPPRESSING" NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, CHALLENGING UN DECISIONS, AND WEAVING INTRIGUES; AND BY THESE ACTIONS ARE "JEOPARDIZING PEACE IN THE WORLD."

4. DRAFT WELCOMES "HEROIC VICTORY" OF PEOPLES OF INDOCHINA AND WARNS THAT ANY ATTEMPT TO IMPOSE SETTLEMENT IN MIDEAST THAT WOULD BE REWARD FOR AGGRESSION AND FORCIBLE SEIZURE OF TERRITORY WOULD BE "UNACCEPTABLE." DRAFT ALSO CONDEMNS EXPLOITATION AND DENIAL OF FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE TO ANGOLA, MOZAMBIQUE, GUINEA-BUDDAU, CAPE VERDE, ZIBABWE, NAMIBIA, SOUTH AFRICA AND SERIES OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

5. GOALS OF DECLARATION, ACCORDING TO PETROVIC-SANE, ARE TO EXTEND SUPPORT TO NON-ALIGNMENT AND THE ALGIERS CONFERENCE AND TO STRENGTHEN "TRUE UNITY" OF INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' MOVEMENT.

6. CTUY DECIDED JULY 10 THAT PETROVIC-SANE WILL BE TU REPRESENTATIVE ON GOY NATIONAL DELEGATION TO ALGIERS CONFERENCE TO BE HEADED BY TITO.

7. COMMENT. ON BASIS OF PRESS REPORTS, DRAFT DECLARATION SEEMS TO HAVE LITTLE SUBSTANCE BEHIND ITS NON-ALIGNED RHETORIC. EMBASSY ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN COPY OF DRAFT FROM CTUY SOURCES FOR CLOSER EXAMINATION. WHATEVER THE CONTENTS OF THE DRAFT

AND FINAL DECLARATION MAY BE, PRIMARY GOAL OF ALL THIS CTUY ACTIVITY IS TO ENHANCE YUGOSLAV INFLUENCE, PRESTIGE AND HOPED-FOR LEADERSHIP ROLE IN THE FORTHCOMING ALGIERS
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